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In Re Application of :  
**Ber-Fong Hwang** :  
Serial No. 09/478,677 : Examiner **Not Assigned**  
Filed **January 6, 2000** : Group Art Unit **3724**  
For: **FOAM SPONGE CUTTING APPARATUS WITH BOTH**  
**VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL CUTTING DEVICES**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

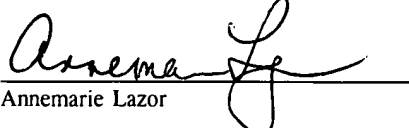
Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

- On page 1, line 13, please delete "direction" and substitute therefor --directions--.
- On page 1, line 17, before "blade" please insert --a--.
- On page 1, line 19, after "in" please delete "the case that the" and substitute therefor --case the--.
- On page 1, line 30, before "horizontal" please insert --a--.

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